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Honorable Nick Smith House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Smith:

This is in reply to your letter of February 2, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

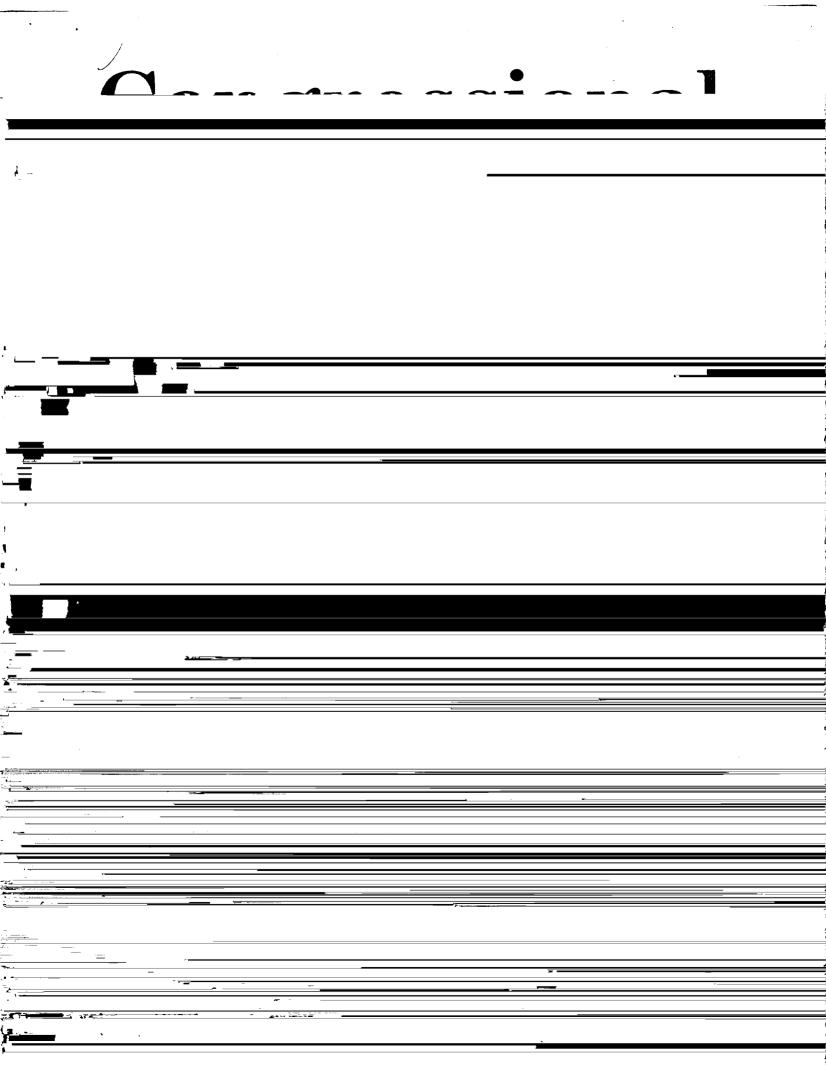
Those rules have been in place for over 20 years. While they have been amended on numerous occasions since that time, they nonetheless embody regulatory concepts based on yesteryear's technology and, unless changed, will stifle the growth and development of private land mobile radio technology and services, which are used primarily by local governments, public safety entities, and businesses to enhance their productivity. The Commission issued the Notice, therefore, to solicit comment from all interested persons on a wide variety of proposals designed to increase channel capacity, to promote more efficient use of these channels, and to simplify the rules governing use of these channels.

The proposals in the Notice reflect to a large extent concepts and proposals submitted in the initial inquiry stages of this proceeding. None of the proposals set forth in the Notice, however, are engraved in stone. Indeed, the proposals represent our best judgment at this stage of the proceeding on steps that must be taken to improve the regulatory climate for users of the private land mobile radio spectrum below 512 MHz. To this end, some of the critical issues that must be resolved relate to channel spacing, the amount of time provided to users to convert to new technical standards, how the 300 to 500 percent increase in channel capacity should be licensed, how the rules should be written to provide users technical flexibility, and whether the current nineteen radio services should be consolidated and, if so, how. I have enclosed for your information a copy of that part of the Notice that describes the numerous proposals.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

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We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take into careful consideration all their comments. Your constituents' concerns will be fully evaluated when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As



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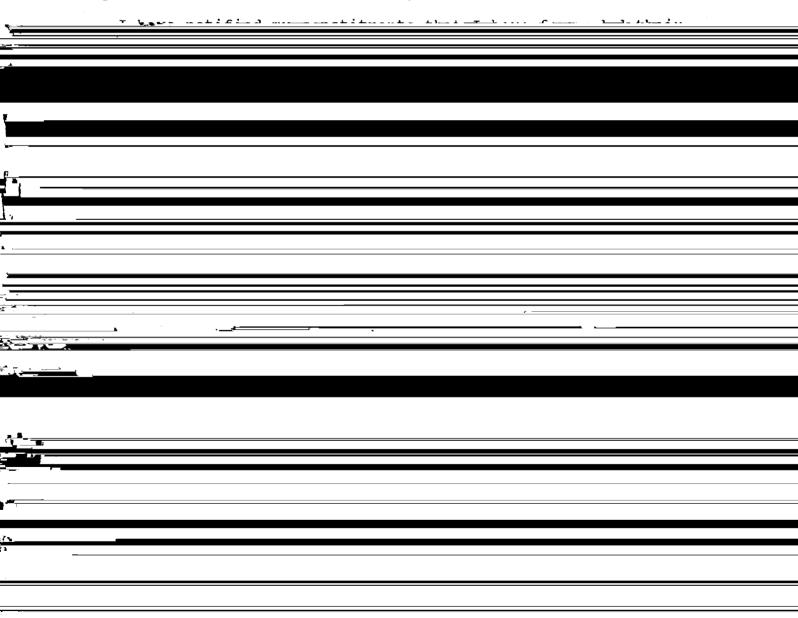
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February 2, 1993

Mr. Lou Sizemore Congressional Liasion Specialist Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 808 Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Sizemore:

Enclosed please find several letters opposing changes to frequencies on mobile celluar units, PR Docket 92-235.





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January 20, 1990

Hon Nick Smith United States House of Rep. 1708 Cannon House Office Blding Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Smith:

Regarding the recent proposal (NPRM - PR Docket 92-235) to use 72 MHz and 75 MHz frequencies on mobile celluar units.

Please be aware there are not just a few people using these frequencies. In just a 50 mile radius there are 4 clubs holding races weekly on 75 MHz, and there are 8 clubs that have designated areas and hold events that are on 72 MHz. There are 2 clubs holding truck pulling events regularly on 75 MHz. And 2 clubs are using 75 MHz for boat races and events during the warm months.

This does not include the radio control enthusiasts operating their airplanes, boats and cars in backyards and ponds.

It would be a terrible loss if we were not able to

Dear Representative Smith:

Regarding the recent proposal to use 72 MHz and 75Mhz frequencies on mobile celluar units.

Please be aware I am one of many people using these frequencies for my radio control equipment.

A great amount of expense, thought, and time has gone into our equipment.

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